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EDUCATION	<b>New York University</b> Ph.D. Student, Finance and Risk Engineering <i>Advisors: Renyuan Xu, Meisam Razaviyayn (USC)</i>	Aug 2024 – Present
	<b>University of Southern California</b> Ph.D. Student, Industrial and Systems Engineering	Aug 2021 – Aug 2024
	<b>Chinese University of Hong Kong, Shenzhen</b> B.S. Mathematics	Sep 2017 – Jun 2021
	<b>University of California, Berkeley</b> Exchange Student	Jan 2020 – May 2020
INDUSTRIAL EXPERIENCE	<b>Meta</b> Research Scientist Intern	May 2024 – Aug 2024
RESEARCH INTERESTS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Applied Probability and Stochastic Modeling</li><li>• Nonconvex Optimization and Stochastic Optimization</li><li>• Data-driven Decision Making and Reinforcement Learning</li><li>• Stochastic Control and Mathematical Finance</li><li>• Diffusion Models and Schrödinger Bridge</li></ul>	
JOURNAL PUBLICATIONS	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Y. Han, M. Razaviyayn, and R. Xu. “Policy Gradient Converges to the Globally Optimal Policy for Nearly Linear-Quadratic Regulators.” <i>SIAM Journal on Control and Optimization</i>, 2025.<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Short version accepted by <i>NeurIPS Workshop Optimization for Machine Learning</i>, 2022.</li></ul></li><li>2. Y. Han and Z. Wang. “Optimal Switching Policy for Batch Servers.” <i>Operations Research Letters</i>, 2023.</li></ol>	
CONFERENCE PUBLICATIONS	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Y. Han, M. Razaviyayn, and R. Xu. “Stochastic Control for Fine-tuning Diffusion Models: Optimality, Regularity, and Convergence.” International Conference on Machine Learning (ICML), 2025.</li><li>2. Y. Han, M. Razaviyayn, and R. Xu. “Neural network-based score estimation in diffusion models: Optimization and generalization.” <i>International Conference on Learning Representations (ICLR)</i>, 2024.<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Short version accepted by <i>NeurIPS workshop on Diffusion Models</i>, 2023.</li></ul></li></ol>	
INVITED TALKS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• INFORMS Annual Meeting, Atlanta</li><li>• International Conference on Continuous Optimization, Los Angeles</li><li>• International Conference on Machine Learning, Vancouver</li><li>• INFORMS Applied Probability Society Conference, Atlanta</li><li>• Advances in Stochastic Control and Reinforcement Learning, Banff</li><li>• INFORMS Annual Meeting, Seattle</li></ul>	<div>Oct 2025</div> <div>Jul 2025</div> <div>Jul 2025</div> <div>Jun 2025</div> <div>Apr 2025</div> <div>Oct 2024</div>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Yale Sampling Conference, New Haven Oct 2024</li> <li>• International Conference on Learning Representations, Vienna May 2024</li> <li>• INFORMS Optimization Society Conference, Houston Mar 2024</li> <li>• NeurIPS 2023 Workshop on Diffusion Models, New Orleans Dec 2023</li> <li>• INFORMS Annual Meeting, Phoenix Oct 2023</li> <li>• NeurIPS Workshop OPT2022, New Orleans Dec 2022</li> <li>• INFORMS Annual Meeting, Indianapolis Nov 2022</li> </ul>
<b>ORGANIZERS</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Session co-chair at International Conference on Continuous Optimization July 2025</li> <li>• Co-organizer of the NYC Brown Bag Reading Group on Foundations of Generative AI Sep 2024</li> <li>• Session co-chair at INFORMS Optimization Society Conference Mar 2024</li> </ul>
<b>REVIEWERS</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Journals: SIAM Journal on Control and Optimization, European Journal of Operational Research, Finance and Stochastics.</li> <li>• Conferences: International Conference on Learning Representations (ICLR), International Conference on Machine Learning (ICML), Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS), International Conference on Artificial Intelligence and Statistics (AISTATS), Conference on Uncertainty in Artificial Intelligence (UAI).</li> </ul>
<b>PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Institute for Operations Research and the Management Sciences (INFORMS)</li> <li>• Applied Probability Society (APS)</li> </ul>
<b>TEACHING EXPERIENCE</b>	<p><b>NYU, Teaching Assistant</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• FRE-GY 5020 &amp; 5030: Bootcamp Summer 2025</li> <li>• FRE-GY 6233: Stochastic Calculus and Option Pricing Spring 2025</li> <li>• FRE-GY 9073: Stochastic Systems and Modern ML Theory Fall 2024</li> </ul> <p><b>USC, Teaching Assistant</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ISE 530: Optimization Methods for Analytics Fall 2023, Spring 2024</li> </ul> <p><b>CUHKSZ, Undergraduate Student Teaching Fellow</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• MAT2002: Ordinary Differential Equations Spring 2021</li> <li>• BIO2001: General Biology Summer 2019</li> </ul>
<b>AWARDS &amp; HONORS</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Yale Sampling Conference Student Travel Grant Oct 2024</li> <li>• National Scholarship of China 2020</li> <li>• Academic Performance Scholarship, CUHKSZ 2018, 2019, 2020</li> <li>• Dean's List, CUHKSZ 2018, 2019, 2020</li> </ul>
<b>TECHNICAL SKILLS</b>	<p><b>Programming Languages:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Proficient in Python, Numpy, Pandas, PyTorch, R, and MATLAB</li> <li>• Familiar with Java, C/C++, MySQL</li> <li>• Experience with Hadoop, Spark, and CUDA</li> </ul>